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Re: Foreign Filing of PM 1696  
Putrescine N-Methyltransferase, Recombinant DNA Molecules Encoding  
Putrescine N-Methyltransferase, and Transgenic Tobacco Plants  
Burns Doane Reference: 021238-066  
Reddie & Grose: 35460

Gentlemen:

We plan to proceed with the foreign filing of PM 1696 as follows:

we will file through the offices of Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis a PCT application designating Brazil, China (if possible), Japan, Malawi, South Korea and the EPO; and

we will file national applications in India, Turkey and Zimbabwe through the offices of Reddie & Grose.

Regarding resolution of the set of claims to be presented in both the PCT and the national applications, let us proceed as follows:

- (a) Burns, Doane will telefax Reddie & Grose any amendment anticipated for the

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pending response in PM 1696 U.S.; and

(b) Burns, Doane will prepare and file the PCT application; but because Reddie & Grose will eventually be prosecuting all the foreign applications, Reddie & Grose will have the responsibility to adapt the U.S. set of claims (as amended) to an EPO version of claims (or the like), which will then be incorporated into the PCT application prior to filing.

The PCT application will designate the EPO as the Searching Authority.

I will pursue signatures for the national applications upon receipt of documents from Reddie & Grose. Current thinking is that the inventors may cooperate.

Philip Morris; Burns, Doane; and Reddie & Grose will copy each other whenever one party communicates in connection with this U.S. and foreign filing. Reddie & Grose has already received a copy of the U.S. file, including the recent U.S. Office Action.

Thank you all for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Charles E. B. Glenn

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